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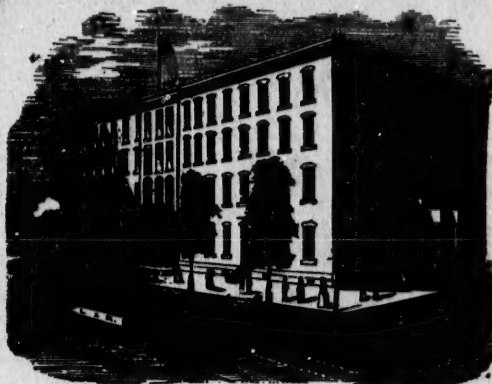


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Reading matter of a miscellaneous nature, is, however, liberally supplied, that may be perused with interest and advantage. Quips and Quirks give zest to the solid matter, as sauces do to meats, but there is a fund of information in the advertisements that may be seriously considered with profit.

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PROGRAMME

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Jephson—I was, but the new curate is taking special interest in my wife's salvation, so I'm not going.

AT A STANDSTILL.

Brace—You know dreams run by contraries. I dreamed last night that I paid you my bill in full.

Tailor—That's funny; I dreamed that you didn't.

GEORGIA REAL ESTATE.

Investor—But you told me there was a natural spring on this land.

Real Estate Agent—And so there is, but you must go slow; the revenue detectives are on to it.—Atlanta Constitution.

WHY HE GOT THE FLUTE.

Wool—How do you like your new flat?

Van Pelt—All right, except that the man across the hall is learning to play the flute.

Wool—You ought to get an accordion.

Van Pelt—I did; that's why he got the flute.

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Sheriff of Nottingham.....	R. E. Graham
Robin Hood.....	Phillips Tomes
Little John.....	Basil Tetson
Will Scarlet.....	Louis Casavant
Allan-a-Dale.....	Mary Palmer
Friar Tuck.....	James Nickolds
Guy of Gisborne.....	Ross David
Maid Marian.....	Helen Rainsley
Dame Durden.....	Agnes Stone
Annabel.....	Maud Ulmer

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Mary—Yes, sir.

Mr. J. —Well, I wish you would ask Mrs.
J. where she put them, as I cannot find them.

Mary—Mrs. J. has just gone out bicycling,
sir.

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SYNOPSIS.

ACT I.—Market Place in Nottingham.

ACT II.—Sherwood Forest.

ACT III.—Public Square in Nottingham.

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General Manager.....Kirke La Shelle
Acting Manager.....John T. Macauley
Business Manager.....John J. Collins
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Assistant Stage Manager.....Chas. E. Shober

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To see a man he knew.
No tears adown her fair cheeks ran;
She donned her sweetest smile,
And flirted with another man
Who sat across the aisle.

—New York Press.

Flossie—Mamma, tan I have a new dollie?
Mamma—No! Your doll is just as good
as new.

Flossie—Well I'se dest as dood as new, but
Dod dave 'oo another little dirl.

TOMMY'S BREAK.

(From Puck.)

I got fired from Sunday-school
Week before last. I don't care!
Never liked it, anyhow—
Wasn't any fun down there.

Teacher asked who Samson was—
S'pose I made a bad mistake—
But I told her what I thought:
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During the evening, incidental to the stage performance, the **ORCHESTRA** of the Grand Opera House, under the direction of **FRED. L. EVANS**, will perform the following selections:

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MARCH—"Honneur".....	Lumbye
CAPRICE—"Lucretia Borgia".....	Donnezitti
GALOP—"Salut".....	Lumbye

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(From Judge.)

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"Worse. He hov been 'atin' so many ballet-
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Thou art fair as the lily, and beauteous as
the rose,

For, coming down to beauty, you're in it, "I'll
tell you those."

Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy charms are
ever great,

Thou dost keep the men all guessing some-
times at a lively rate.

How often hast thou caught them with thy
smile so fair to see,

Oh, woman, lovely woman, come, wilt "smile
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And tell them when they printing want—
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Then woman, lovely woman, thou hast not
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inson.

"Pack of cards, more likely," remarked
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